

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

VANDEBIST et al.

Examiner: Cynthia Kratz

Application No. 09/424,247

ATTN: PCT Legal Office

Filed: November 30, 1999

Attorney Docket No. 4619-009

For: DRY POWDER INHALER EXCIPIENT, PROCESS FOR ITS PREPARATION
AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING IT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
BOX PCT
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: October 30, 2002

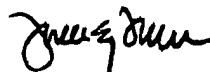
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Decision on Renewed Petition mailed May 31, 2002, for three (3) months from July 31, 2002, to October 31, 2002.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of Nine-Hundred, Twenty Dollars (\$920.00) to cover the cost of the extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 07-1337, referencing Attorney Docket No. 4619-009.

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